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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Competition among broadband providers is important to me and my family. I choose to get service from a small provider who offers easy access to customer service and personalized help with use of their service. I have not received such good service from larger providers like AT&T and was abused by Time Warner.

My first internet service provider (back in the dial-up days) was a friend from work whose small internet business was crushed by rate increases from AT&T. My current internet service provider is excellent, but I risk losing that service (DSL over unbundled copper lines), too, if AT&T is allowed to raise rates and shut off my provider's access to unbundled elements.

I also get great land line telephone service from this provider and don't want to have to deal with AT&T or other behemoths for that.

Please don't let the big guys crush the small ones who provide better service at competitive prices.

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